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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed December 24, 2003, said period of response being extended from March 24, 2004 to May 24, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$210.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a small entity.

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